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August 18, 2019 | Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....4:00pm
Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am
10:45am, 12:30pm, 5:30pm
Monday-Friday8:00am
Rosary prayed after all daily Masses

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Schedule varies. Consult the Mass Schedule in the bulletin or website.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday.....3:00-3:45pm
1st Fridays of the Month....8:30-9:00am
Or by Appointment

PRAYER CHAPEL

Open Daily7:00am-8:00pm
Adoration.....Monday & Thursday
8:30am-6:00pm
Benediction.....Monday, 6:00pm



I HAVE COME

TO SET THE EARTH ON FIRE,

AND HOW I WISH

it were already blazing!

~ Luke 12:49



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK.....
Also Known as Chardonnay W(h)ines!!

“Do something!” That was the cry of the crowd gathered made to the governor of Ohio who had come to the site of the mass shooting in Dayton the day after the tragic event that took the lives of 10 people and injured 27. Just hours before, another mass shooting at a Walmart in El Paso, Texas killed 23 and wounding 24. A week or so before that, 3 lives were lost and 13 injured, during a mass shooting at a festival in Gilroy, California. The number of shootings and deaths weekly in Chicago is a sad statistic. Every time I hear of these senseless tragic events that have become so common in our world today, I cry out “stop the madness!” I pray for the victims, their families, and the person(s) who commit such evil crimes. And I want God to “do something” to end this craziness.

The “do something” for some is to legislate stricter gun laws and background checks – which may help. But I think there is something much deeper here that needs our attention – and that is the changing of human hearts, which cannot be legislated. Instead, God is asking us to “do something!” And that doing something involves examining our commitment to the dignity of EVERY human life, and doing all we can to end discrimination and racism in our-selves and society. Some of these mass shootings appear to be racially motivated. While most of us probably do not think of ourselves as being a racist, if we are honest, to some degree we probably are. A little joke here, stereotyping there, not speaking out when we see discrimination - all is subtle racism. Instead of blaming our president, who I do believe needs to be called out on some of his divisive and unacceptable rhetoric, as well as politicians on both sides of the aisle, I think we have to start by looking first at ourselves. Racism is nothing new. Jesus tried to eradicate it in his time, by teaching that God loves ALL people. Many of this stories reached out beyond ethnic boundaries to point that out. And isn't it amazing that with all the technological advances since the time of Jesus, much still hasn't been done to change the human heart!

I have included in today's bulletin a copy of an article “A Catholic Response to Racism.” As Catholics, we need to promote the dignity and worth of every single person. ALL LIVES MATTER – and until hearts believe this, racism will still flourish. But, with God's grace and help, we CAN turn violent hearts to hearts of love, mercy and compassion! Let's start with our own first!!

Have a Blessed Week!

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Liturgy Schedule & Mass Intentions

Monday, August 19 - St. John Eudes, Priest

8:00 AM † Barbara Saurer, by Roy Saurer
8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM
6:00 PM Benediction

Tuesday, August 20 - St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of Church

8:00 AM In Thanksgiving, by Alphonse Rajasekhar Family

Wednesday, August 21 - St. Pius X, Pope

8:00 AM Int. Reyhan Vaince, by Family

Thursday, August 22 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM Int. Christopher & Anna, by Grandparents
8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration to 6:00 PM

Friday, August 23 - St. Rose of Lima

8:00 AM † Monica Thomas

Saturday, August 24 - St. Bartholomew, Apostle

3:00-3:45 PM Reconciliation
4:00 PM **Vigil - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**
† Joey Burton, by Marose & Burton Families

Sunday, August 25 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM † Mary Ellen Feldman, by Family
Int. Maria Luna, by Mike & Lori Coit
9:00 AM † Norma Knecht, by Luna Family
10:45 AM Int. Michael & Margaret Embery,
by Clare Embery-Foy
12:30 PM † Luis Miguel, by Family
5:30 PM The People of Our Lady of Mercy

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL LAMPS

Votive lamps will burn this week before the Blessed Sacrament for the following intentions:

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| 1. Megan Gabaldon | 9. The Feldman Family |
| 2. The Sick | 10. Msgr. Tom Powers |
| 3. Volunteers | 11. Special Intention-C.H. |
| 4. For Paul | 12. Louise Touvell |
| 5. Vocations | 13. Mark & Laura |
| 6. Tom Dorian | 14. Bruna Berglind |
| 7. George Scowins | 15. Special Intention-K.K. |
| 8. Charles & Sophia Martin | 16. The Homeless |

If you wish to have a candle burning for your intention in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, you will find envelopes on the shelf in the Narthex near the Priest's Sacristy or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

We remember in prayer those in service to our country

TSgt Leah Harvey, USAF
Airman Melanie Hodges, US Navy
Nicholaus Laurie, US Marines
SSG Sean Murphy, USMC
Capt. Tara Trammell, US Army
Roberto Ramos, Army
Lt. Joshua Puscas, US Navy
Capt. Keith Harris, USAF
SSG Gina Maro, USAF
Juan Gabriel Sindac, USAF
Aaron Godinez, US Marines
Mason Webber, Army
LC/Cprl Ryan Ludwig, US Marines
Capt. Brian Strohmaier, US Army
PFC Elizabeth Pattermann, US Marine
Ensign Marion Eunece Bautista, US Navy

We pray for our sick, confined and their families

Please contact the Parish Office if you or your **immediate** family member wish to be added to the Sick List.

Mark Hoeksema
Mel Schmudde
Kathryn Martini
Mary Moody
Brady Pembroke
Carole Brogan
Wayne Draper
Ailani Banulos

Julia Schremp
Billy Walowski
Kathy Walowski
Flo Paprzycki
Helga Manglinong
Marilyn Reich
Michael Dandan
Charlene Oates
Maria Luna

William Nimmow
Jill Brisceno
Lexi Brisceno
Marie Steffy
Michael Butler
George Scowins

Please note: Due to the government legislation regarding patient privacy, names of people to be prayed for at Mass or in the Bulletin can be listed only if that person, or in the case of their incapacitation, the person delegated to their medical care, calls to give permission.



DESDE EL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR.....
¡También conocido como Chardonnay W(h)ines!

"¡Haz algo!" Ese fue el grito de la multitud reunida dirigida al gobernador de Ohio que había venido al lugar del tiroteo masivo en Dayton el día después del trágico evento que cobró la vida de 10 personas e hirió a 27. Solo unas horas antes, otro tiroteo masivo en un Walmart en El Paso, Texas, mató a 23 e hirió a 24. Una semana antes, se perdieron 3 vidas y 13 resultaron heridos, durante un tiroteo masivo en un festival en Gilroy, California. El número de disparos y muertes semanales en Chicago es una estadística triste. Cada vez que escucho de estos trágicos eventos sin sentido que se han vuelto tan comunes en nuestro mundo hoy, grito "¡detengan la locura!" Rezo por las víctimas, sus familias y la persona(s) que cometen tales crímenes malvados. Y quiero que Dios "haga algo" para terminar con esta locura.

El "hacer algo" para algunos es legislar leyes de armas y verificaciones de antecedentes más estrictas, lo que puede ayudar. Pero creo que hay algo mucho más profundo aquí que necesita nuestra atención, y es el cambio de los corazones humanos, que no se puede legislar. En vez de eso, Dios nos pide que "¡hagamos algo!" Y hacer algo implica examinar nuestro compromiso con la dignidad de CADA vida humana, y hacer todo lo posible para poner fin a la discriminación y el racismo en nosotros mismos y en la sociedad. Algunos de estos tiroteos masivos parecen estar motivados racialmente. Si bien la mayoría de nosotros probablemente no nos consideramos racistas, si somos honestos, en cierta medida probablemente lo seamos. Una pequeña broma aquí, estereotipando allá, sin hablar cuando vemos discriminación, todo es racismo sutil. En lugar de culpar a nuestro presidente, a quien sí creo que debe mencionarse parte de su retórica divisiva e inaceptable, así como a los políticos de ambos lados, creo que debemos comenzar mirándonos primero a nosotros mismos. El racismo no es nada nuevo. Jesús trató de erradicarlo en su tiempo, enseñando que Dios ama a TODAS las personas. Muchas de estas historias llegaron más allá de las fronteras étnicas para señalar eso. ¡Y no es sorprendente que con todos los avances tecnológicos desde la época de Jesús, todavía no se haya hecho mucho para cambiar el corazón humano!

He incluido en el boletín de hoy una copia de un artículo "Una Respuesta Católica al Racismo". Como católicos, debemos promover la dignidad y el valor de cada persona. TODAS LAS VIDAS SON IMPORTANTES, y hasta que los corazones crean esto, el racismo seguirá floreciendo. Pero, con la gracia y ayuda de Dios, ¡PODEMOS convertir corazones violentos en corazones de amor, misericordia y compasión! ¡Comencemos con el nuestro primero!

¡Que tengas una semana bendecida!

Padre Don

Invitamos Mujeres Para Las Clases de Inglés

The Dominican Literacy Center en Aurora esta registrando mujeres que quieran aprender a leer, escribir y hablar Inglés. Cada persona se le dará instrucciones individuales desde septiembre hasta mayo por un costo de \$25.00 por año. Por favor llame ahora al 630-898-4636 para obtener información. Los clases empiezan septiembre 5.

ESCUCHA A JESÚS Y A LOS PROFETAS

Los profetas siempre han tenido un hueso muy duro que roer. Sus palabras, a menudo poco deseadas ser escuchadas, se usan en contra de ellos para perseguirlos y aún para matarlos. Ese fue el destino de muchos profetas del Antiguo Testamento, y Jeremías es uno de esos grandes ejemplos. Jesús trato con pecadores y aceptó su muerte y luego resucitó a una vida gloriosa. El último profeta, Jesús buscó prevenir a las personas de su tiempo y del nuestro de las divisiones que sus palabras causarían, mostrándose él mismo ser el profeta de todo el tiempo. Todos necesitamos ver a nuestras divisiones y dilemas a la luz de las enseñanzas y advertencias, y buscar comprender todo lo que él proclamó y enseñó de las cosas que pasarían si no lo escuchamos. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Jue 2:11-19; Sal 106 (105):34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Martes: Jue 6:11-24a; Sal 85 (84):9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Miércoles: Jue 9:6-15; Sal 21 (20):2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Jueves: Jue 11:29-39a; Sal 40 (39):5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
Viernes: Rut 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Sal 146 (145):5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Sábado: Ap 21:9b-14; Sal 145 (144):10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Domingo: Is 66:18-21; Sal 117 (116):1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lc 13:22-30

MEMORIAL SERVICE

FOR ABORTED CHILDREN IN ROMEOVILLE

On Saturday, September 14, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the seventh annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 60 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service in the Diocese of Joliet with the Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon, Bishop of Joliet:

When: Saturday, September 14, 1 p.m.

Where: Resurrection Cemetery, 200 W. Romeo Rd. in Romeoville

For more information, contact Christine Kania at 630-532-7813 or cmkania@bu.edu

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent weeks, we have reviewed how the Churches of East and West have enriched one another, and this past Thursday's solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was born in the Eastern Church. It is a gift from the ancient Church of Jerusalem, a commemoration of the death of Mary, and a feast charged with a deep sense of the Resurrection. Mary, the first disciple, is the first to share fully in Christ's victory over death. In the tradition of the East, August 15 is the "Dormition of the Theotokos," or the "Falling Asleep of the God-bearer." There is no shadow of death or gloom in the theology, since this is seen as a transformation of Mary's life into a heavenly and immortal existence. There is a sense in the tradition that she who made earth heavenly and exalted the human race by her faithfulness is glorified today.

A persistent legend among Orthodox Christians tells how all the disciples, except Thomas, who was preaching in India, were present at Mary's death and burial, and sat by the tomb for three days. On the third day, Thomas saw Mary's body rising to heaven. She greeted him as "my friend," and he was escorted by angels to proclaim her assumption to the others, who then realized her tomb was empty. Thus Thomas, the one who expressed doubt at the resurrection of Christ, received a gift from Mary: the chance to proclaim resurrection faith to the disciples. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

LISTEN TO JESUS AND THE PROPHETS

Prophets have always had a tough row to hoe. Their words, often unwelcome, are used against them to persecute and even kill them. Such was the fate of the Old Testament prophets, and Jeremiah is a great example of this. Jesus endured opposition from sinners, and did not turn back from a shameful death in order to rise to a glorious new life. The ultimate prophet, Jesus sought to warn the people of his time and ours of the divisions that his words would cause, showing himself to be the prophet of all time. We all need to look at our divisions and dilemmas in light of Jesus' teachings and warnings, and seek to understand all that he has proclaimed and taught about what will happen if we fail to listen. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
 Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
 Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
 Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
 Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
 Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
 Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Lord, come to my aid! (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith (Hebrews 12:1-4).

Gospel — I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing (Luke 12:49-53).



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & EDGE



All R.E. Parents and Adult Volunteers SAFE ENVIRONMENT NEWS!!!

At Our Lady of Mercy Parish, we hold one another to the highest standards of offering our children a safe place to discover God's love and grow in faith.

Are you a parent with a child enrolling in one of the NEW Sunday sessions? Are you a NEW Volunteer in R.E., K – EDGE? *EVERY PARENT participating in one of the Sunday R.E. faith sessions & EVERY VOLUNTEER in the Sunday and Weekday sessions MUST Attend the Protecting God's Children Class*

Our Lady of Mercy is offering PGC class before the start of R.E.

Thursday, Sept. 5th At 6:30-9:30 PM in the MPR with Deacon Tim & Mary Jo

Register Online Go to www.virtus.org

Look to the left sidebar of the page. Click on "first time registrant". Watch the brief tutorial on the registration process. Proceed with your online registration. (No fee for class)

Please Note

You may register for ANY of the adult PGC sessions within the diocese as long as there is space available at the parish site of your preference. BE SURE TO SIGN-IN at the site you're taking the class!

The Diocese of Joliet does NOT accept PGC classes taken online.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS (Grades 9-12)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION about L.I.G.H.T. Youth Ministry for High School Teens!

1) **Guidebooks** for the 2019-2020 year are now available online or in the lobby wall display. Information on all we offer high school teens is included as well as details/registration information on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

2) **All parents of high school teens are strongly encouraged to attend our L.I.G.H.T. Information Meeting** on Tuesday, August 27th at 7:00 PM in the Church. Come learn more about the program for teens, including Teen Alpha, Basics of our Faith Mini-Courses, the Sacrament of Confirmation and all that is offered for high school teens!

Teen Mission Trip Reunion Time: A Teen Mass & Bonfire is scheduled for Sunday, August 25th at the 5:30 PM mass followed by a party behind the PLC with food, games (Nine Square), bonfire and S-mores! Come check out our next mission trip location and get the early bird scoop on signing up for the trip! All high school teens welcome!

Caring for the Mind, Body and Spirit

Open HEARTS Ministry

The United States Department of Health and Human Services states that “mental health includes our emotional, psychological and social well-being. It affects how we think, feel and act. It helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others and make choices.”

Through every stage of life – childhood, adolescence and adulthood – one’s mental health is important. Mental health challenges are common. A positive message to remember is that help is available and people with mental health problems can get better and many recover completely.

The **Open HEARTS Ministry** at Our Lady of Mercy is a ministry that focuses on mental and emotional health and wellness offering support, resources and hope. Through education and programs, the ministry strives to raise awareness about and decrease the stigma of mental and emotional health challenges and illness. The next **Open HEARTS Ministry meeting** is Monday August 19 from 7:00 to 8:30pm in the Parish Life Center Room 119. If you would like to join the ministry or find out about the ministry, please come to the meeting.

Through the efforts of the Open HEARTS Ministry a suicide alertness training (safeTALK) is being brought to Our Lady of Mercy by The Illinois Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention on Saturday September 7 from 9:00am to 1:00pm in the Parish Life Center Room 114. If you are interested in attending this training or have questions about the Open HEARTS Ministry, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380 or at jolenel@olmercy.com.

Communion to the Homebound

If you or a loved one are unable to attend Mass due to illness (including recent surgery or discharge from the hospital), mobility issues, inability to drive or do not have transportation to the church, please consider having a trained Minister of Care bring the compassion and Communion of the church to you.

If you or a loved one are in the hospital or a care facility, the parish office is not notified of the admission unless permission is given for the Spiritual Care or Pastoral Care Department to contact the parish office. If you would like a Minister of Care to bring Communion to the home OR if you would like clergy or a Pastoral Care Minister to visit while being in a care facility, please contact Jolene LeRoy RN Director of Pastoral Care at 331-707-5380 or at jolenel@olmercy.com.



Why did Jesus die?

Most leaders who’ve influenced nations or even changed the world are remembered for the impact of their lives. Jesus, who more than any other person changed the face of world history, is remembered for His death even more than His life. Have you wondered why there is such a concentration on the death of Jesus? What’s the difference between His death and the death of a war hero? Why did He die? What did it achieve? Why is it important? What does it mean? To discover answers to these questions

Connect with Zara to learn more 331-707-5381
zara@olmercy.com. #TryAlpha.

SIGN UP NOW @ www.olmercy.com/alpha

We meet in the OLM Parish Life Center on Wednesdays for Den meetings and Fridays for whole Pack group meetings. Please contact Jamie Johnson, Cub Master, at JLElf@yahoo.com for specific days and times. We are also always looking for adults to volunteer as Den Leaders and Helpers. Our Pack is a designated Family Pack and can accept both boys and girls in grades Kindergarten through Fifth grade. Our scouts volunteer in our community, camp, and learn important values and skills. Contact us and become part of our scouting family!

...that men who were Scouts 5 or more years as boys, are:

- 4% more likely to graduate from high school
- 16% more likely to graduate from college
- Earn **\$19,000** higher annual household incomes
- 9% more likely to highly value family relationships
- 15% more likely to have lifelong friendships
- 10% more likely to attend religious services
- 9% more likely to believe helping others should come before one’s own self-interest

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where IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SERVE?

Investigate opportunities for service

Women In Faith Begins Wednesday, September 11 at 9:00 AM

Join other women from Our Lady of Mercy Parish to help bridge the gap between our Catholic Faith and everyday life. Our study for the fall session will be "Getting to Know Jesus; Mark" by Kevin Perrotta

En Español "Marcos: Conociendo a Jesús" by Carlos Junco Garza.

These books can be purchased from any online retailer like Amazon.com, ThriftBooks.com or christianbook.com. The Women In Faith group meets on Wednesday mornings from 9-11:30 AM in room 114.

The dates for the fall session are September 11 & 25; October 2,16,30; November 13 & 20 and Dec 4.

For more information, contact Kim Cancio at 847-987-2319 or kacancio@gmail.com or Veronica Manzanares at (630) 210-6143 or verojuarez72@hotmail.com.

MASS FOR LIFE

AUGUST 31 | 9AM MASS | 10AM ROSARY PROCESSION & SPEAKER

MASS CELEBRANT
Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon
Bishop of Joliet Diocese

SPEAKER
Nancy Kreuzer
Chicago Regional Coordinator
Silent No More Awareness

After Mass, join us in a Rosary Procession to Planned Parenthood (1.4 miles). Listen to Nancy Kreuzer share her personal story about the loss and grief of abortion, and how the love and mercy of God healed and transformed her life.

ALL LIFE IS EQUALLY VALUABLE

Free bus to/from Planned Parenthood for those unable to walk in the procession

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QUESTIONS?
Contact Katherine Woltering
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UPCOMING 40 DAYS FOR LIFE AURORA EVENTS!

Sept 21	Kick-Off Rally (morning)
Sept 25 – Nov 3	40 Days for Life Campaign
Oct 14	Youth Rally (time TBD)

Parish Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year-to-Date Information (as of 08/04/19)

Actual Year-to-Date Collections:	\$	163,805
Fiscal Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	160,000
Amount in Excess of Budget:	\$	3,805
08/04//19 Sunday Collection:	\$	33,160
Weekly Sunday Goal:	\$	32,000
Amount in Excess of Goal:	\$	1,160

Thank you for your generosity!!



DONATE ONLINE

Our online giving portal is offered for those wishing to have the convenience of supporting God’s ministry at OLM. The site is secure and allows you to support God’s work from anywhere you have an internet connection. Look for this icon at www.olmercy.com under “Give”.



2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report

It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Parish Goal	\$	133,400
Amount Pledged	\$	156,518
Amount Paid	\$	113,659
Remaining Balance	\$	42,859
Rebate Amount	\$	0
# of Families Pledged		594

GEMS

TO ALL O.L.M. PARISHONERS WHO ARE AGE 50 OR OVER, COME SEE WHAT GEMS IS ALL ABOUT...

Health tip: Eat these foods LESS often...highly refined, white starches including bread, rice and pasta, sugary foods and drinks including sodas and sports drinks and candies, high fat meats and dairy, foods high in sodium. Also, minimize fast foods and eat at home more often.

Our next GEMS meeting will be on Wednesday, September 11 at noon in the PLC. Our theme will be "BACK TO SCHOOL" and, as such, we'll be offering several sandwich choices you'd find in a school "brown bag lunch". Desserts, as always, will be very welcome.

This is the time of the year that we begin collecting GEMS dues (\$20 per person under age 80).

A mass for GEMS members will be said on Wednesday, September 11 at 8:00 a.m.

Please consider bringing along a canned food item for use at Hesus House.

Are you interested in the OLM bridge club, please contact Willie at 630-898-1999 for more information.

Critics Corner Movie Club...contact Pat at 630-585-6437 for information.

Please pray for our sick GEMS members.





We are now enrolling at Pope St. John Paul II Catholic Academy

Here is what one of the students is saying at Pope St. John Paul II Catholic Academy:

"I love JP2 because of technology class. The activity that I enjoyed was coding because I had never learned about that before. We also have projects about computers. My partner and I picked a subject. We chose IP addresses. We explained what an IP address is and the history about IP addresses. We also talked about how dangerous it is to share your IP address and how hackers can ruin whatever someone is working on. I really enjoyed technology class." -7th Grader, North Campus

We are now accepting registrations for the 2019-2020 school year! Please contact Mrs. Rizo at the South Campus, 630-851-4400 or Mrs. Gusman at the North Campus, 630-844-3781.

Please contact our offices at:
North Campus
706 N High Street, Aurora 60505
630-844-3781

South Campus
601 Talma St., Aurora 60505
630-851-4400

Our Lady of Mercy Weekend Masses August 24 & 25 Father Mark preaching at all Masses.

Saturday:	4:00p	Fr. Don McLaughlin/Dcn Mike Plese
Sunday:	7:30a	Fr. Don McLaughlin/Dcn Tony Martini
	9:00a	Fr. Mark Bernhard/Dcn Tim Kueper
	10:45a	Fr. Don McLaughlin/Dcn Art Tiongson
	12:30p	Fr. Mark Bernhard/Dcn Mike Plese
	5:30p	Fr. Mark Bernhard

Parish Activities for the Week

SUNDAY	August 18	
7:00-9:00p	Adult Men's Basketball	MPR
MONDAY	August 19	
7:00-9:00p	Open HEARTS Ministry	Rm 119
TUESDAY	August 20	
8:30-9:00a	Coffee And...	Ministry Rm
1:00-3:00p	OLM Bridge Group	Rm 108
7:00-9:00p	Bible Study - The Mass	MPR
WEDNESDAY	August 21	
7:00-8:00p	Baptism Class	Church
7:00-8:00p	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
7:00-9:00p	St. Vincent DePaul Mtg	Rm 114
THURSDAY	August 22	
	No Activities	
FRIDAY	August 23	
6:00-10:00p	Crafty Souls	Rm 124
6:30-8:30p	Legions of Mary	Rm 110
SATURDAY	August 24	
7:00-8:00a	Fit Shepherds	Parish Grounds
8:15-10:15a	Mary's Squad	Rm 208
4:00-7:00p	Hospitality/Qrtly Ministry Fair	MPR
SUNDAY	August 25	
7:30-7:00p	Hospitality/Qrtly Ministry Fair	MPR
8:00-10:30a	CRHP Men's Formation	Rm 114
11:00-12:00p	Welcome Mtg	Rm 114
5:30-8:00p	Teen Mass & Bonfire	Rm 211

Medical Mission Service

Mission Doctors Association will offer the **2019 Midwest Retreat/Seminar, Sept 13 -15, 2019** for Catholic Physicians, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants, and their spouses, considering Short-term mission service in Africa or Latin America. This will be held at Loyola Stritch Medical School, Chicago.

Information and Accreditation Statement (for the 11 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)) are available on the web site: www.MissionDoctors.org or by calling the office for more information (213) 368-1872.

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PARTY In The Park

AUGUST 24, 2019
6 TO 9 PM AT BLACKBERRY FARM
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Price includes admission, food, entertainment, games, pop, water

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Open to all past/current/prospective students and parents, alumnae, and friends of Rosary.

RSVP: WWW.ROSARYHS.COM/PARTYINTHEPARK

THE VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL MOVING WALL AND TRAVELING MUSEUM

September 26th thru the 30th

Queen of Heaven Cemetery 1400 S Wolf Road Hillside

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY 8:00 AM UNTIL 10:00 PM

MONDAY 8:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM

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CEREMONY TIMES

Thursday, September 26th 5:00 pm

Friday, September 27th 12:00 noon

Saturday, September 28th 2:00 pm

Sunday, September 29th 1:00 pm

Monday, September 30th 12:00 noon

If you are a Vietnam veteran and would like to participate in any of our ceremonies, please contact Dianne Sheehan dsheehan@cathcemchgo.org or by calling 630-730-3296.



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WALL IS A HALF
SIZE REPLICA OF
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 3:00-3:45pm; Reconciliation services held seasonally.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Contact the Parish Office so we may help you in any way possible.

HOSPITALIZATION: If you anticipate a hospitalization or are admitted to an area hospital and would like a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister, please notify the parish office.

BAPTISMS: Registered parishioners wishing their child baptized must attend a parent meeting held the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Baptisms are held at 12 noon the first Saturday of the month and at 2:00 p.m. the second Sundays of the month. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent.

WEDDINGS: The bride, groom or either set of parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Weddings may be scheduled no less than six months out in order to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation requirements. Contact Diane Reiter, ext. 221.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you! Please register by attending our "New Parishioner Registration/Welcoming" meeting the last Sunday of the month at 11:00 a.m. For more info call: 851-3444, ext. 221.

HOSPITALITY: "Hospitality" weekend is held in the Parish Life Center Multi Purpose Room after all Saturday/Sunday Masses on the last full weekend of each month (excluding December).

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